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February 1, 1975

Mr. William Kuchta  
Assistant Director of Alumni Relations  
Union College  
Schenectady, New York 12308

Dear Mr. Kuchta:

Your prompt reply to my letter requesting information about my great-great-grandfather, Abraham Per Lee, Class of 1808, impressed me with the efficiency and civility of yourself and your institution; the copious information you were able to supply really floored me.

The alumni record you sent me was extremely helpful; you see, my grandparents were both killed in a train accident and my father was brought up by people named "Plumb" so I never knew very much about my family. Presently I am in the process of rediscovering them - your record supplied the names of many family members I'd never known of before.

The description of Abraham Per Lee's experience in the War of 1812 was also interesting. Incidentally, I noted that although the wounds he received in that war caused his withdrawal from the legal profession, he did manage to get married seven months after the battlefield incident, and subsequently produced thirteen children. Obviously some functions were in good working order! (His wife, Maria, after mothering 13 children, lived to the age of 90. They made those pioneer women strong, all right.)

Now if it is not too much trouble, I wonder if you would be good enough to supply any possible alumni record or any information available on the brother of Abraham Per Lee - Edmund Per Lee, Class of 1806, my great-great uncle. Edmund (or Edmond) Per Lee also presumably came from Amenia, New York. His parents were Edmond Per Lee and Zada Winans of Amenia, Dutchess County, New York. His birth date was presumably around 1784-1786.

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Farmer  
Died 1857  
North Norwich  
~~1857~~

I should also be obliged if you could send me a current catalogue of Union College. I've been told that it has an exceptionally lovely campus.

Enclosed please find a small check for \$10.00 as a donation to Union College in memory of Abraham Per Lee.

With warm thanks for your assistance.

Sincerely,

*Carol Plumb*  
Carol Per Lee Plumb

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Norwich, N. Y.

Feb. 5", 1948.

Com. on Alumni Records  
Graduate Council  
Union College  
Schenectady, N. Y.

Some years ago I received from Mrs. Walter G. Wilcox of Singra, N. Y. (since deceased) the enclosed questionnaire in regard to my great grand father who was graduated from Union College in 1806. He was Edmund or Edmond G. Perlee, a brother of her grand father, Abraham.

As he was a major in the War of 1812 and a member of the New York State legislature, I am sending along the information I have in regard to him.

I should be glad to receive any information you may have in regard to Cornelius A. Cuyler's father & mother.

Very sincerely,

(Mrs. W. H.) Mary Perlee Slater

August 29, 1934

My dear Mrs. Willcox:

In going over our records we find that you supplied us with information about Abraham Perlee of the Class of 1908 at Union. We now find that we lack biographical information about EDMUND G. PERLEE of the Class of 1906.

Edmund Perlee graduated A.B. from Union in 1906. We learn that he went to North Norwich after graduating where he commenced keeping a tavern. He resided there until his death, June 25, 1959, at the age of 75.

I am wondering if you would be able to supply us with any information about this man who apparently was the brother of Abraham. I am enclosing an information blank for your convenience.

Thanking you for any information you may be able to give us, I am

Sincerely yours,

For the Committee on  
Alumni Records

Mrs. Walter G. Willcox  
Smyrna, New York



Longmeadow, N. Y. Aug 30. 1934.

My dear Miss Schenckhorn.

Your letter of inquiry <sup>of Aug 27</sup> has been  
sent by me to a direct descendant  
of Edmund G. Pelee - Mrs. Henry  
Slater. 142 No. Broad St. Norwich.  
N. Y. as I am sure she will  
be pleased to give you the  
desired information regarding  
her great grandfather.

Sincerely yours -

Alida H. Willcox.

Aug. 31, 1934

My dear Mrs. Willcox:

Thank you for forwarding my inquiry for information about Mr. Perlee to Mrs. Slater. I shall look forward to hearing from hear.

Thanking you again for your prompt reply, I am

Very truly yours,

For the Committee on  
Alumni Records

Mrs. Walter G. Willcox  
Sayrna, New York



# UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI RECORD

PLEASE FILL IN COMPLETELY AND RETURN TO:  
GRADUATE COUNCIL, UNION COLLEGE, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

Mrs. W. H. Slater  
142 N. Broad St.  
Norwich, N. Y.

UNION DEGREE A. B.  
CLASS OF 1806

1. NAME IN FULL Edmond G. Per See
2. SON OF (A) FATHER Edmond Per See  
(B) MOTHER (MAIDEN NAME) Layda Winans
3. BORN (DATE) 1784 (PLACE) America, Dutchess Co. N. Y.
4. DIED (DATE) June 25", 1859 (PLACE) North Norwich, New York
5. MARRIED (NAME) Maria Cuyler (DATE) Oct 12, 1811  
(A) WIFE WAS BORN (DATE) 1785 (PLACE) \_\_\_\_\_  
(B) WIFE DIED (DATE) Feb. 21" 1867 (PLACE) North Norwich, N. Y.

6. CHILDREN:	NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF DEATH
	<u>Cornelia Cuyler Per See</u>		
	<u>William T</u>		
	<u>Edmund</u>		
	<u>Jane Yates</u>		
	<u>Layda</u>		
	<u>Henry</u>		

7. PREPARED FOR COLLEGE AT: \_\_\_\_\_
8. COLLEGE LIFE: (A) FRATERNITY MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_  
(B) LITERARY OR SOCIAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_  
(C) CLASS OFFICES \_\_\_\_\_  
(D) COLLEGE PRIZES AND HONORS \_\_\_\_\_

9. OTHER COLLEGES ATTENDED Was admitted to Bar. Probably attended Albany Law School.
10. DEGREES \_\_\_\_\_
11. PROFESSION \_\_\_\_\_
12. BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS HELD WITH DATES \_\_\_\_\_

13. MILITARY HISTORY AND TITLES Captain 2nd U.S. Volunteers Regiment Artillery - War of 1812  
Major in War of 1812 - 46th U.S. Infantry in 1814



14. PUBLIC OFFICES HELD WITH DATES *From 1820 to 1822 he served Chenango County in the State Legislature and was again elected to the Assembly in 1832.*

15. MEMBER OF PROFESSIONAL, LITERARY, SCIENTIFIC, SOCIETIES

16. LITERARY PRODUCTIONS, DATE AND PUBLISHER

17. RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION

18. POLITICAL PREFERENCE *Democrat, (I judge).*

19. BROTHERS AND SISTERS *Walter, Abraham, Henry, John S. Mary, Eliza, Zayda, Samantha*

20. RELATIVES OF SELF OR WIFE AT UNION *His infis brother, Cornelius Cuyler D. D. was graduated from Union College in 1806. His brother, Abraham Perlee was graduated in 1808*

21. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. (USE THIS SPACE FOR ANY OTHER BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OR TO SUPPLEMENT ANY OF THE ABOVE ANSWERS.)

*Edmond or Edmund Perlee bought a house which had been used for a tavern at North Norwich, N. Y. but he did not conduct a tavern there, I'm told.*

22. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON THROUGH WHOM I CAN ALWAYS BE REACHED.

NAME STREET

CITY STATE

23. INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY *Mrs. W. H. (Mary Perlee) Slater*

STREET ADDRESS *142 N. Broad St.*

CITY AND STATE *Norwich, N. Y.*

DATE *February 5, 1948*



CLASS OF 1806

EDMUND G. PER LEE

Amos Mead settled in the house next west of the cemetery near the village of North Norwich, where, in 1803, he commenced keeping tavern. This was the first tavern in the town. The house has been changed and modernized and is now occupied as a residence by Morris Furman. Mead sold in 1816 to Edmond G. Per Lee, who resided there till his death, June 25, 1859, aged 75; but he did not keep tavern.

FROM History of Chenango & Madison Counties p 405  
James H. Smith  
D. Mason & Co.  
Syracuse 1880.

EDMUND G. PERLEE, 1806, a resident of Amenia, N. Y., was a member of the Philomathean Society. He died in 1859.

Philomathean Catalogue 1850.



Edmond G. Per Lee AB 1806

Edmond G. Per Lee F.B.  
1806